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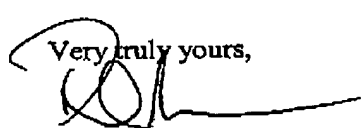
Re: Filing of Amendment  
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/634,779  
Our Ref: RYU.014

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find an Amendment which should place this Application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,

  
Phillip E. Miller

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Enclosure

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In re Application of

Tetsuya Ootosaka, et al.

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For: OPTICAL FIBER PREFORM, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THEREOF, AND  
OPTICAL FIBER OBTAINED BY DRAWING THEREOF

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: